

Message from Judge Jim Pappas to the Idaho Bankruptcy Bar

I wanted members of the Idaho bar practicing in the bankruptcy court to know that I have notified the Ninth Circuit that I do not intend to seek reappointment as an Idaho bankruptcy judge when my term expires on March 22, 2018. While serving in this position since 1990 has been a genuine privilege, I am ready for a change of pace, and so I plan to retire as a full-time judge. Instead, Chief Judge Myers and I will be requesting that the Ninth Circuit Judicial Council authorize me to serve as a part-time "recalled" bankruptcy judge on an "as needed" basis.

Chief Judge Myers and I are hopeful that the Ninth Circuit will decide to fill the vacancy created by my retirement. If so, an announcement from the Circuit will be issued within the next several weeks soliciting applicants for the position to participate in a merits-screening process. If you have questions about the position or appointment process, I would be happy to visit with you.